HIGH-PRICED MEATS AND IDLE LANDS IN THE SOUTH

Butchers and Meat Dealers, in Conference, Throw Out Some Interesting Hints.

Maybe They Can Turn the Trick

Themselves: Surely If They Work in Harmony With Southern Land-

CALL ON GOVERNMENT TO ACT

HY G. E. WRAY.

There was a conference of butchers and meat dealers in New York recently under the auspices of the United Mas-Butchers' Association of America and the National Butchers and Mea-Dealers Association. This meeting would be of little moment to the farm-ers but for the fact that these people discussed the causes of the high price of meat, and connected it with the idle looking to the protection, conservation and increase of the live stock industry and demanding government condemna-tion of idle land for the purpose of putting it to use in the raising of live

This action is important, because of evidence it gives that the master there and meat dealers of the country have at last seen that there is some relation between idle lands and high frogress of the country. The world heir brains for the purpose of tracing ffects to causes. The conference went on record as "viewing with alarm the lectures in the stock of cattle and the

equent increase in the high price jeats." It resolved that Congress id "set aside 10 per cent of the hal income tax to be used for iming cut-over and other undeveloped s, on condition that such lands be for live stock raising purposes." rther resolved that "the govern-

has a perfect right to condemn ny lands for this purpose." The conference further recommended hat Congress forbid the slaughtering of female calves for a period of five years, and forbid the killing of any calf weighing less than 150 pounds. Since there is no law compelling the slaughter of calves, it would seem pos-sible for the meat dealers to take this matter into their own hands and refuse to handle yeal.

All of which shows that we are movat least obliquely, in a forward ction. But suppose Congress ap-riated 10 per cent of the income for this purpose, and suppose it condemned and improved cut-over and land, would not this be followed ediately by an increase in the value these lands, and all other lands? Then who would reap the benefit? Cer-tainly not the public. In the end, spec-ulators would get most of the benefit. There are millions and millions of acres f idle and undeveloped land in this country, and they are not used because they are held out of use by speculators, who are simply watchfully waiting for the population to increase to make them more valuable.

The main thing is to get these idle ands into use. This is simple enough, can be done by taxation and without a cent of expense to any govern-ment. Any State government can tax land out of use or into use. A low tax on idle land throws it out of use; high tax on idle land forces it into use. The owners of idle land, if properly taxed for the public benefit, would be compelled either to use the land

themselves or get out of the way of those who wish to use it. We have been offering prises to earth lords and speculators instead of to the soldiers of industry; we have obstructed nobility in man, beauty and virtue in woman, and happiness in childhood, and boosted nobility in earth lords. We have handicapped humanity and made industry more difficult; we have actually encouraged land greed and placed serious obstacles in the way civilization. For what is civilization does not hasten the era of the

of the land; we want a constant de-crease in the army of the unemployed and an increase in the industrial army of producers; we want to stop the flow of publicly created land values into the private pockets of speculators. And all this can be accomplished through a just system of taxation.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT: DOINGS DOWN IN DIXIE

Notwithstanding War's Alarms and Low Prices for Cotton, the South Moves.

BALTIMORE, MD., October 3.— Among the Southern industrial and other developmental enterprises reported in this week's issue of the Manufacturers' Record are the following:
City of Birmingham, Ala., voted \$5,000,000 bonds to construct waterworks
to include pumping station with pumps
for 28,000,000 gallons daily capacity,
reservoir on Shades Mountain with capacity of 30,000,000 gallons, reservoir

and filter plants near East Irondale, etc. Export Oil Corporation, New Orleans, La., is reported to expend \$1,500,000 to erect plant at Avondale to include tanks. refinery, wharves, pipe line and other

Wetzel Coal and Coke Company, Fair mont, W. Va., was incorporated with capital stock of \$2,000,000 and will develop 19,250 acres of Wetzel County coal land.

Mexican Petroleum Oil Company, J Oswald Boyd, local manager, New Or-leans, La., will build plant at Rost, La., to refine petroleum oils from Mexico, manufacture kerosene, gasolene, lubri-cating oils, etc., reported cost \$500,000. Crimora Manganese Corporation,

John D. Brooks, president, New York, was incorporated with capital stock of \$1,000,000 to develop manganese deposits in Shenandoah County, Va.

Big Eagle Mining Company, Ottawa, W. Va., organized; will develop 500 acres cool land, daily capacity 1,000 tons, install holsting and screening machiners Hills Branch Coal Company, was in-corporated with capital stock of \$50,000 by Thomas K. Laing and others of Beck-W. Va., to develop coal lands near ley, W. V.

Dixie Pipe Company, Gadsden, Ala., organized with \$40,000 capital stock to build plant in East Gadsden to manufacture soil pipe.

Southern Roofing Company, Tampa, Fig. will install the southern Roofing Company.

Fla., will install machinery to manufac-ture, reversible lock and surface tin sningles: daily capacity, fifty squares, Marion Products Co., Fairmont, W. Vit., acquired plant of Fairmont Brewting Company, and will expend \$40,000 fc-improvement and alterations.

Clifton Manufacturing Co., Waco, Texas, will establish plant to manufacturing cotton sacks and bayes: will continue cotton sacks and bayes: will con-

THE WOMEN TO THE FRONT; COTTON SHOW AT CAPITAL

Official Womanhood to Turn a Hand
to Hurrah for South's Greateat Staple.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 3.—
As a means of enlarging the market
for cotton, women prominent in officlal society in Washington have orstandard a movement for a particular wide cal society in Washington have or-ganized a movement for a nation-wide sale of cotton goods during the week beginning Monday, October 5. Tele-grams have been sent to dry goods stores and department stores all over the United States, urging them to put on special sales of cotton goods and all kinds of articles made of cotton during that week. during that week.

The movement is arousing a great deal of interest in the dry good and indications are that it will tirely successful and will result in the immediate marketing of large quantities of cotton goods and in stimulating a larger permanent demand.

In connection with the movement, the women have arranged for a na-tional cotton fashion show in the red room of the Willard Hotel, in Washington, on October 7 and 8. At this show there will be displayed gowns

of the President and will of the Vice-President; Mrs. Champ Clark, wife of the Speaker; Mrs. Josephus Daniels, wife of the Secretary of the Navy; Mrs. doing well, making the corn and the peanuts and the fruits and the vegetables and the hay and the hogs and the hay and the hogs and the hay and the hogs and the making that these lands of old Sussex Speaker; Mrs. Josephus Daniels, wife of the Secretary of the Navy; Mrs. Burleson, wife of the Postmaster-General; Mrs. Wilson, wife of the Secretary of Labor; Mrs. Houston, wife of the Secretary of Agriculture; Mrs. Lane, wife of the Secretary of the Interior; Mrs. Redfield, wife of the Secretary of the Secreta terior; Mrs. Redfield, wife of the Secretary of Commerce; Airs. James R. Mann, wife of the minority leader in the House of Representatives; Mrs. William Barrett Ridgley, Mrs. Joseph Folk, Mrs. John B. Henderson, Mrs. Duncan U. Fletcher, Mrs. William Cummings Story, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revelution: Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, edid some little stunts of their

AUTUMN IN OLD VIRGINIA; POETRY AND SOME FACTS

Times-Dispatch Occasional Corres dent Has Some Nature Study

Talk on Tap. WEST POINT, VA., October 3.—
Poets love to sing "The Flowers That Bloom in the Spring, Tra-la," and the same poets sing, with as much zest, "The Melancholy Days Have Come, the ing "The Melancholy Days Have Come, the ing that they were taking no risk in Saddest of the Year," when the first selling their Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, wave of autumn sweeps by. "The Ohio and Nebraska lands at the prevail-Flowers That Bloom in the Spring" ing price sand reinvesting in Sussex gladden many, but what can delight County, old Virginia lands at half the eyes and hearts more than the autumn flowers and foliage, the purple and locating in a much better climate. The climatic conditions here are very attractive to the Westerner and to every with the purple blackberries? Dogwood has been described as one of the county pretty much all the year round and he making something that pays all

Some of the large dress manufacturing sningles; daily capacity, fifty squares, Marion Products Co., Fairmont, W. Vil., acquired plant of Fairmont Brewing Company, and will expend \$40,000 for improvement and alterations.

Clifton Manufacturing Co., Waco, Clifton Manufacturing Co., Waco, Texas, will establish plant to manufacture cotton sacks and bags; will confume thirty baler of cotton daily.

Big Coal Mining Company.

CHARLIESTON, W. VA. October 3.—
Capitalized at \$2,000,000, the Wetzel Coal and Coke Company, of Fairmont, W. Va., plans to develop 19,250 acres of coal land in Wetzel County. This comporation has been chartered by Josiah H. Kosboro, Robert Powell and Margaret J. McClelland, all of Uniontown, 1992.

GOOD COUNTY OF SUSSEX; ITS MANY ADVANTAGES

Fine Lands, Cotton, Peanuts, Corn and Many Other Very Notable Things.

WAVERLY THE CAPITAL TOWN

Splendid Lands, Magnificent School System, Good Roads, Prosperous People—Small Farms to the Front-Inducements Offered.

BY FRANK S. WOODSON.

WAVERLY, VA., October 3.—Sussex County, of which Waverly is commercially and in other respects the capital, although not the county seat, is one of the best counties in all of Virginia. is not the largest county in the State and it is a good thing that it is not. However, it is not a small county as we room of the Willard Hotel, in Washington, on October 7 and 8, At this show there will be displayed gowns made entirely of cotton goods, designed by Miss Genevieve Champ Clark, daughter of the Speaker; Miss Lucy Burleson, daughter of the Postmaster-General; Miss Callie Hoke Smith, of Georgia; Miss Salile Williams, daughter of Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia; Miss Salile Williams, daughter of Senator Williams, of Mississippl; Miss Mabel Stone, daughter of Senator Stone, of Missiouri; Miss Nancy Johnson, daughter of Representative Johnson, of Kentucky; Miss Margaret McChord, daughter of Interstate Commissioner McChord; Mrs. Josephus Daniels, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, and Mrs. Duncan U. Fletcher, wife of Senator Fletcher, of Florida. The purpose of this display is to demonstrate the practicability of making artistic gowns for evening wear and for all other occasions in winter, as well as in summer, entirely from cotton goods. Photographs of these model gowns are to be made for reproduction in the leading fashion magazines of the United States.

The Southern Railway Company, hundreds of acres.

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The Southern Rallway Company, which has undertaken to supply cotton stalks and thousands of cotton boils for the decoration of the room, will also install an exhibit, furnished by the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association, showing samples of all of the thousands of kinds of goods made from cotton. There will also be exhibits of a large variety of manufactured articles in the making of which cotton is used. The cotton boils used in decorating the room will be donated by H. G. Hastings & Co., of Atlanta.

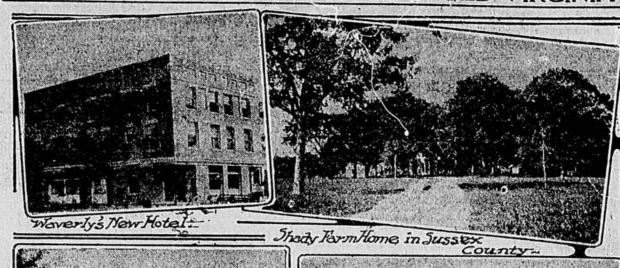
The list of patronesses of the show includes Mrs. W. G. McAdoo, daughter of the President and wife of the Secretary of the Treasury; Mrs. Thomas R. Marshall, wife of the Vice-President: Mrs. Champ Clark, wife of the

for in Mrs. oseph of the Westerners and the Northeasterners was not the beginning of the Westerners and the Northeast-Duncan U. Fletcher, Manager of the Commings Story, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution; Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, president of the Federation of Women's Clubs, and others.

Twentieth century development of Sussex County. The old time home folks did some little stunts of their own before the Westerners came and the doing of those stunts was largely the secret of the coming of the Westerners. The old the coming of the Westerners. the coming of the Westerners. The old folks at home showed first what Sussex County could do and the Westerners took note of the same. And right here is a lesson to other counties. Show your faith in old Virginia by doing something yourselves and then the other fellows will take notice. Sussex County people showed their faith by their good works; they showed what good things they could do on the lands they had and the Westerners soon took note. That why they came and invested. They n the first selling that they were taking no risk in by. "The Ohio and Nebraska lands at the prevail-

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TWENTIETH CENTURY SCENES IN OLD VIRGINIA







Now Tabacco Worehouse in Albertan



Industrial Editor.

This column is open to contributors who have something to say of a suggestive nature, and who are willing to make hints and suggestions looking to the better development of the good old States of Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina, and who can hold their suggestions down in any one issue to from 150 to 200 words. Such communications, addressed to the Industrial Editor, will receive prompt attention.

VIEWS AND NEAR VIEWS; HINTS AND SUGGESTIONS

BY FRANK S. WOODSON.

Industrial Editor.

Review and Outlook.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s local agency reports R. G. Dun & Co.'s local agency reports for the Industrial Section as follows:

"A survey of conditions locally indicates little change. In practically all lines represented here, sales are in smaller volume than for the same period last year, but conditions have improved in the past six weeks with most jobbers, and cancellations have practically ceased. Some manufacturers have received geogetized orders for ers have received good-sized orders for foreign shipment, and more of these foreign shipment, and more of these are expected. Collections continue slow, but it is expected that some im-provement will be shown in this re-

spect in the next few weeks. Retail sales are fair. "The Pan-Southern Trade Conference" held here last week created much favorable comment, and is expected to assist materially in clearing up the situation as regards the extension of Southern trade with the Latin-American countries. Some definite plans were adopted, and will be put into operation as soon as practicable. Much interest is also being shown in the efforts to relieve the cotton situation, which is at present the most important deterring factor in the enlargement of trade.
"The Tobacco Board of Trade reports indicate a substantial gain tions on the local leaf mar

growing sections at the beginning

COME SOUTH, YOUNG MAN. IF JUST FOR THE WINTER

Offers All Kinds of Inducements For Tourist While Europe

In Cut Oc. In considering the possibilities of in creasing tourist business to the South as possible for the tourist business this Next year California will have a great advantage in this competition, but this year the South has the call on the situation, and if it will go after it vigorously enough, it can capture the

ALBERTA IS IN THE SWIM; NEW TOBACCO MARKET

Bright Weed Growing in Old Dark
Belt, and Selling There
All Right.
ALBERTA, VA., October 3.—There
were those who said Alberta could not
become a bright tobacco market, and
there were those were those who believed to the property of the pr this winter, says the Manufacturers there were those who believed it was Record, ft should be barne in mind that, seographically and logically situated while California will be an aggressive to become just that thing, and this latter contingent went to work to make competitor this year, it will be still more aggressive next year. The Panama Exposition will in itself next year be a great drawing card, carrying to Calitwo of them, were built, and no bette are in the State; the leaf factories were erected, and the necessary inducements were offered to the buyers to come here and do their buying and bid-ding.

GIRLS' CANNING CLUBS IN ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY

One Year's Good Work Shows Up Well-Some Very Fine Results

GIRLS ON THE VIRGINIA FARM

Some Inside Facts as to How Good Work Goes On in Virginia-Co-Operation of Various Agencies to Carry Movement Forward.

Miss Mittle Patten, who has taken charge of the Girls' Canning Club work in Isle of Wight County, at his request has written the Industrial

request has written the industrial Editor something of the good work in that county. She says:

The Girls' Canning Club has been at work in Isle of Wight County for one year, and, though this is our first year, we would by no means see the work out of the reach of our girls. Why? Because this club is the largest group of organized women producers. Why? Because this club is the largest group of organized women producers, in the world, and the girl on the farm is made to feel that she has a part to play in the great life around her. And a large part it is, For on how many farms do we find fruits and vegetables going to waste, whereas they could be saved-so easily. This is what our girls are doing all through Virginia, yes, and many other States. Perhaps, after all, they will help to solve the great problem of to-day, the high cost of living.

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great problem of to-day, the high cost of living.

How can this work be carried on in a county? In most of the counties half the money is given by the Board of Supervisors and the other half by the United States Department of Agriculture. The worker is then secured and goes to work. In Isle of Wight County one-half the money was raised by private subscription, and the remainder was given by the Department of Agriculture and the Virginia Polytechnic Ulture and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Some of the worthy and progressive citizens saw the need of keeping the girls in the country, and, in order to do so, country life had to be made more attractive and interesting. They became conscious that the farm wasn't made alone for the boy, and his father, but for mother and daughter likewise, and, after all, that is the keynote is happiness in the home.

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daughter likewise, and, after all, that is the keynote is happiness in the home.

Owing to the fact that the appropriation wasn't made until late, the county worker did not organize the club and get well at the work until the list of March, which time is late to start tomatoes in this section of the country, that is, if one wishes to have advantage of the early market.

BOW THE GIRLS WORKED

UNDER SOME DIFFICULTIES

There were fifteen girls in the club who have worked faithfully until the end of the season. Yes, they have worked, and showed an amount of interest which would stonish some people. Not only have the girls shown great interest, but also the mothers and fathers who have given encouragement and help is times of discouragements. Nor has our help ended there, for various citizens in the county have heard our every desire and granted each. Just here the club would like to mention some by the helpers, and thank them most heartily for their co-operation. In the first place, we would mention our friend, R. T. Thomas, who died so suddenly a short while ago. He was always interested in girls and their progress, and took so much interest in the welfare and success of our club that he presented an entire canning outfit to the club. We mourn his death and feel that a friend has been lost.

In the spring J. E. Warren was kind enough to let the girls have the fertilizers they needed in very small quantities, and putting up the several small packages was no little trouble. We appreciate greatly his kindness Mr.

titizers they needed in very small quantities. The girls had no need of large quantities, and putting up the several small packages was no little trouble. We appreciate greatly his kindness. Mr. Anderson Cofer supplied all cans and jars for the club at cost, and J. J. Thomas did the same for the club in regard to labels for the cans. The names mentioned are only force of the ames mentioned are only men who have helped us so much and to show the interest manifested in the work throughout the county, the club can say that never a favor has been asked but that it was granted, and very gladly and willingly.

EXHIBITS TO HE MADE: